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Continuation or [] Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d),

September 15, 2000

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box CPA Washington, DC 20231

This is a request for the filing of a

Sir:

(continued prosecution application (CPA) of prior application Serial No. 09/125,122 filed on January 4, 1999, entitled PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING NATURAL HUMAN ALPHA-INTERFERON The term for response or taking action in the prior application expires on . An extension of time for response in the prior application is: [X][X] filed concurrently herewith. [] has been filed on_. Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on []under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application. A preliminary amendment is enclosed. [X] This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1 53 [](d)(4). **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application: []The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto. []

A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.

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Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.

- [] PTO-1449
- [] Copies of IDS Citations

Small entity status:

- A small entity statement is enclosed.
- [X] A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still and proper desired.
- [] is no longer claimed.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown based on claims as amended in the Preliminary Amendment:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)*	Small Entity			Other Than A Small Entity		
FOR	No.Filed	No. Extra	Rate	Fee	OR	Rate	Fee	
Basic Fee				\$345				\$690
Total Claims	-20=		x \$9=	\$		x \$18 =		\$
Ind. Claims	-3 -		x \$39 :	\$		x \$78 =		\$
Multiple Dependent Claim			+ \$130	\$		+\$260=		\$
			Total	\$345				\$

If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.

Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(1)-(5)):

	Extension (months)	for other than small entity	Fee for small entity		
[]	one month	\$ 110.00	\$	55.00	
[]	two months	\$ 380.00	\$	190.00	
[X]	three months	\$ 870.00	\$	435.00	
[]	four months	\$ 1,360.00	\$	680.00	
[]	five months	\$ 1,850.00	\$	925.00	

Fee \$435.00

- [X] If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. (check and complete the next item, if applicable)
 - [] An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _

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Fee Payment Being Made:

[X] Enclosed

[X] Basic filling fee

\$ 345.00

Extension of Time Fee

\$435.00

Total Fees Enclosed

\$780.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$780.00 is enclosed.

[] Other

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, and 1.21(h) associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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